

LATE EDITION.

HERALD OFFICE, 6.15 a.m.

THE WAR.

THE EXPLOSION AT THE JOHANNESBURG ARSENAL.
MR. BEGGIE ACQUITTED.

LONDON, May 27. Mr. W. Begbie, who was arrested on suspicion of causing the explosion at the Johannesburg Arsenal, was acquitted by the High Court on Saturday. The jury found that the explosion was caused by a defective fuse, and that Mr. Beggie was not responsible for the accident.

MAKING CELEBRATIONS.
RIOTS AT JERSEY.

During the celebration at Jersey in honour of the relief of Mafeking, a French shopkeeper of St. Helens provoked a riot.

The windows of the shops in French street were wrecked. The military were called out and charged with fixed bayonets. Thirty arrests were made, and the ring-leaders were imprisoned without the option of a fine.

FORTIFYING MAJUBA HILL.
SIR REDVERS BULLER ADVANCING.

The Boers are fortifying in a semi-circle from Majuba to Pongwana. Six guns are visible.

There are indications that General Sir Redvers Buller is advancing with a view to turning the Boer position at Laing's Nek, via the Buffalo River.

MR. SCHREINER'S OPINION OF THE WAR.

LONDON, May 27. Mr. W. P. Schreiner, Premier of Cape Colony, opposes the proposal to build a hall to perpetuate the names of heroes who fall in the war.

He predicts that the nation will eventually deplore the war as neither necessary nor inevitable.

SURRENDER OF A FREE STATE MAGISTRATE.

LONDON, May 27. Louis Kosh, a Free State magistrate, has surrendered to the British. He informed General Sir Redvers Buller that all the Harriemith and Vredburgers have returned to their farms.

MARTIAL LAW IN RHODESIA.

LONDON, May 27. Martial law has been proclaimed in Rhodesia.

THE TRANSVAAL STATE MINING ENGINEER.

LONDON, May 27. Mr. Klimke, who is opposed to any interference with the Rand mines, has been removed from his office, and he is succeeded by Mr. Munick, the State Mining Engineer.

DEATH FROM ENTERIC FEVER.

LONDON, May 27. Private J. H. Kite, of the New South Wales Mounted Infantry, died of enteric fever at Bloemfontein.

TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.
A STEAMER SWEEP OVER A CATACLYSM.

LONDON, May 27. A terrible catastrophe has occurred in British Guiana, South America. A steamer was swept over the Sumatranas Cataract, and everybody on board was drowned.

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SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE DREYFUS CASE.

ATTEMPTED REOPENING.
AN OFFICER DISMISSED.

LONDON, May 26. A French officer commissioned to a politician, War Office documents relating to the Dreyfus case with the object of reopening the case.

HOUSE OF COMMONS BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, May 26. The bye-election for the vacancy in the representation of Manchester South, caused by the Marquis of Lorne taking his seat in the House of Lords in succession to his late father, the Duke of Argyll, took place yesterday. The Hon. William Peel, Unionist, was returned by a majority of 2039 votes.

At the general election the Marquis of Lorne (Unionist) polled 4377 votes, and Sir Henry R. James (Liberal) 4377.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

PROBABLE DISSOLUTION IN JULY.

LONDON, May 26. The feeling is increasing in political circles that the Imperial Parliament will be dissolved in July.

PLAGUE AT CAIRO.

LONDON, May 26. An outbreak of the plague has occurred at Cairo, Egypt.

LAKES ONTARIO AND ERIE.

THE ATTEMPTED DESTRUCTION OF THE THOROLD LOCK.

PRISONERS IMPRISONED FOR LIFE.

LONDON, May 26. The three men, Walsh, Nolin, and Dultman, who were arrested at Niagara Falls, on a charge of having attempted to destroy by the explosion of dynamite the Thorold Lock of the Welland Canal, connecting lakes Ontario and Erie, have been found guilty, and have been sentenced to imprisonment for life.

CHINESE SEDITIOUS SOCIETY.

LONDON, May 26. The Great Powers have represented to Tsung-tsi-Xamen the necessity of suppressing the "Boxers," a Chinese seditious society, which has committed a number of outrages.

WOOL SALES.

LONDON, May 26. The close of the wool sales was marked by strong competition. Prices were unchanged.

Compared with the closing prices of the March series good merinos have declined 5 per cent., faulty merinos 10 per cent., fine crossbreds 5 to 7 per cent., and medium and low 5 per cent.

The following prices were realised for the undermentioned clips:—Kinloch, 74; Gannabill, 84; Mount Nebank, 94; Parnassus, 94; Gumbly, 104; Macdonald, 114.

For the series 138,000 bales were catalogued. There were sold to home buyers 69,000, to Continental buyers 50,000, and to American buyers 3000. There have been carried forward to the next series 166,000.

The arrivals from the fourth series total 134,000. There have been forwarded direct to buyers 38,000, and there are 283,000 available for that series.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL.

LONDON, May 26. GRAY v. AUSTRALIAN GOLD RECOVERY CO. ABANDONED.

LONDON, May 27. The appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Gray v. the Australian Gold Recovery Company has been abandoned.

This case was brought in the Victoria Supreme Court by W. W. Gray, a resident of the German Gold-mining Company, representing a number of persons interested in the treatment of tailings, against the Australian Gold Recovery Company, late owners of the McArthur process for treating residues by cyanidation.

For the purpose of disputing the validity of the patents. Similar proceedings had been previously taken by the Transvaal, where the court had decided against the holders of the patents. The Victorian rights to the patent were recently purchased by the Victorian Government for £20,000.

BARQUE VIOLETTA IN HEAVY WEATHER.

HER CARPIS SHIPS.

THE VREYHID DISASTER.

SQUADRON ATTACKS AN ENTRENCHED ENEMY.

LONDON, May 26. Lieutenant-Colonel Bethune attributes the disaster south-west of Vryheid, where a squadron of Bethune's Horse was ambushed, to Captain Goff, the commander of the squadron, attacking an entrenched commando without waiting for reinforcements.

THE PORTUGUESE EMBARGO ON TRANSVAAL FOODSTUFFS.

THE WAR.

BRITISH ACROSS THE VAAL.

SWIFT ADVANCE CONTINUES.

SPLENDID MARCHING OF THE TROOPS.

RHENOSTER DEFENCES.

BOERS ABANDON EXTENSIVE WORKS.

RAILWAY TO MAFEKING.

BUSHMEN IN RHODESIA.

LONDON, May 26. The British outposts are at Estrie Geluk, 26 miles south of the Vaal.

It is officially announced by the War Office that the vanguard of Lord Roberts' army crossed the Vaal on Thursday, near Pary's, 12 miles north-east of Vredfort, where, according to a Boer report, Lieutenant-General French had 5000 men on Wednesday.

Lieutenant-General Ian Hamilton, with the Colonial Mounted Infantry Division, is at Boesbank, 10 miles south-east of Lindeque, Drift, across the Vaal.

British scouts are on the Vaal at Viljoen's Drift, which abuts on the main line of railway to Pretoria.

LORD ROBERTS' ACTIVITY.

LONDON, May 25. The exertions of Field-Marshal Lord Roberts in the prosecution of the campaign are considered to be wonderful. His health is splendid.

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LONDON, May 26. Notwithstanding his recent repulse, General Symon is entrenching at Bultfontein, 10 miles east of Mafeking.

OPENING THE RAILWAYS.

Lieutenant-General Sir Archibald Hunter will open the railway from Vryburg to Mafeking in a week.

Trains are already running from Mafeking to Bulawayo, Rhodesia.

SECOND REGIMENT OF BUSHMEN.

TRANVAAL PASSING THROUGH PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA.

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NEW SOUTH WALES TROOPS.

WORK REQUIRING VIGILANCE.

OUTPOST DUTY.

AUSTRALIAN TROOPS EXCEL.

COMPLEMENTED BY LORD ROBERTS.

REVEILLE AT FOUR O'CLOCK.

OUT IN THE OPEN.

SATURATED WITH RAIN.

VISIT OF GENERAL HUTTON.

WARM COMMENDATIONS.

BOERFONTEIN, April 26.

Back at Bloemfontein, a month and a half ago, the New South Wales Mounted Infantry Regiment marched through the principal city of the Orange Free State to engage in a desperate battle with the Boers a couple of days later at Kamekloof, distant some 25 miles to the north-east.

During the three weeks that we were camped in that locality (it is also known as Spontfontein) the life was not particularly eventful, though not uneventful. The experience was, however, a decidedly trying one, and was made so by the fact that the whole of the period was allowed to have two nights' sleep in succession. We were on outpost duty—work in which the Australian troops excel, and upon their performance of which they have repeatedly been warmly complimented by distinguished Imperial officers.

General Hutton, himself, on his first day and night after night the men were either in the trenches ready for any emergency that might arise, or, on patrol, or, on performing some other duty. Four o'clock each morning saw the men at their posts, and they were kept busy until the time when, in turn, he was permitted to seek "nature's sweetest rest." Out in the open country, the men were kept busy until the time when, in turn, he was permitted to seek "nature's sweetest rest."

On one occasion, although the very floodgates of heaven had been opened, and we were kept busy until the time when, in turn, he was permitted to seek "nature's sweetest rest."

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WANTED, General SERVANT, good cook, and ironing out, wages 15s. Mrs. GADSDEN, Broadfield.

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WANTED, tidy NURSE GIRL, with references.
Castleridge, one hour from Market-st.

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